



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: May 13, 2008

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Engineering Division, Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Approval Of Proposition 1B Local Streets And Roads Fund Expenditure In The Fiscal Year 2009 City Budget

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council adopt, by reading of title only, A Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Approving \$1,438,838 Proposition 1B Local Streets and Roads Improvement, Congestion Relief, and Traffic Safety Account Funds Expenditure in the City's Fiscal Year 2009 Capital Improvement Program Budget.

DISCUSSION:

Proposition 1B (Prop 1B) was approved by the voters of the State in November 2007. Prop 1B provides \$19.925 billion in bond funds for a variety of transportation priorities including \$2 billion for cities and counties to fund maintenance and improvement of local transportation related infrastructure. The share that is allocated to our city is determined by the State Controller's Office and is based on city population. The City will receive two one-time allocations. The first allocation of \$1,438,838 is available immediately. The second allotment of a comparable amount is expected to be available in the next fiscal year and the proposed City use of these funds is not included in this proposed Council action.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

The first allotment as proposed in the Fiscal Year 2009 Capital Improvement Program budget is for Pavement Maintenance. As reported to Council on October 9, 2007, pavement maintenance costs have risen significantly over the past 2 to 3 years due to rising petroleum process. The net effect of utilizing Prop 1B for pavement maintenance frees up City funds that were originally planned for pavement maintenance and can now be used for other high priority Streets Capital Improvement Program needs. As explained in staff's April 15, 2008 Council presentation on Measure D Two-Year Local Program of Projects for Fiscal Year 2009-2010, these projects include:

- Sidewalk Maintenance \$150,000
- Drainage Improvements \$200,000
- Traffic Signal Operations \$100,000
- Carrillo Street Sidewalk \$188,838
- Pavement Rehabilitation \$800,000

Since the second Prop 1B allotment is not yet available, staff proposes potential uses of these funds be reviewed and discussed in conjunction with development of the next Two-Year Financial Plan for fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

Preservation of pavements reduces the waste from reconstruction and the associated costs, delays, and environmental effects. Controlling the deterioration of road pavement through timely maintenance can extend its life and reduces the likelihood of failure and/or further damage and subsequent traffic and environmental problems.

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